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SUBJ: SHAH OF IRAN VISITS SAUDI ARABIA

BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED:

- 1. THE SHAH OF IRAN DEPARTED RIYADH APRIL 29 AFTER A STATE VISIT WHICH LASTED LESS THAN 24 HOURS. THE VISIT WAS PRECEDED AND HAS BEEN FOLLOWED BY AN UNUSUALLY LARGE VOLUME OF FAVORABLE PRESS COVERAGE INCLUDING NUMEROUS ARTICLES AND COMMENTARIES ON THE SHAH AND IRAN IN GENERAL.
- 2. COMMUNIQUE AT CONCLUSION OF VISIT (ASSUME FULL TEXT IS AVAILABLE FBIS) MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

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(A) COMPLETE AGREEMENT REACHED ON ALL ISSUES DISCUSSED,

THE MOST IMPORTANT OF WHICH WAS THE QUESTION OF PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

(B) THE TWO SOVEREIGNS AGREED THAT THERE COULD BE NO SECURITY, STABILITY, OR PERMANENT PEACE UNLESS ISRAEL WITHDRAWS FROM OCCUPIED TERRITORIES INCLUDING JERUSALEM AND UNLESS THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE RECOVER THEIR USURPED AND EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION.

(C) THE TWO SOVEREIGNS AGREED TO PROMOTE COOPERATION BETWEEN THEIR TWO COUNTRIES IN ALL FIELDS AND TO EXCHANGE VISITS BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES FOR THE REALIZATION OF STABILITY AND PROSPERITY IN THE REGION.

(D) SHAH INVITED KING KHALID TO VISIT IRAN; THE KING ACCEPTED THE INVITATION AND DATE OF VISIT TO BE FIXED LATER.

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3. THE VISIT INCLUDED THE USUAL ROUND OF MEETINGS AND CEREMONIES INCLUDING A MEETING BETWEEN THE KING AND THE SHAH. THE MEAT OF THE SHAH'S VISIT, HOWEVER, WAS APPARENTLY CONTAINED IN HIS OVER FOUR HOUR MEETING WITH CROWN PRINCE FAHD. THIS WAS A TETE-A-TETE MEETING BETWEEN THE TWO WITH ONLY THE SHAH'S PERSONAL TRANSLATOR IN ATTENDANCE. IRANIAN AMBASSADOR RAED, A FLUENT ARABIST FULLY CAPABLE OF PROVIDING TRANSLATION, WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THIS MEETING. THE AMBASSADOR TALKED WITH RAED EVENING OF APRIL 29 BUT BECAUSE RAED WAS NOT PRESENT AT FAHD MEETING HE WAS UNABLE TO PROVIDE MUCH ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE MEETING. OUR PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE IS THAT THAT THE VISIT WAS A SUCCESS IN PROMOTING CLOSER SAUDI-IRANIAN RELATIONS. WE EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION ON DETAILS OF THE VISIT SUBSEQUENTLY. **AKINS**

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